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INTRODUCE SOVIET TEACHING METHODS;  
INTENSIFY RUSSIAN-LANGUAGE STUDIES

POLISH SCHOOLS ADOPT SOVIET TEACHING SYSTEM -- Warsaw, Przyjazn, 10 Sep 50

Poland can avoid many errors in setting up socialist education by studying the experience of Soviet schools in organization and teaching methods. When making major changes in the elementary schools in 1949, Poland applied the principles of Marxism and Leninism, and the experience of Soviet schools.

Poland is introducing new textbooks which apply Soviet methods. Translations of Soviet textbooks are also being used. In 1950, nearly 2,500,000 copies of Soviet textbooks will be in use in Polish schools. Great importance is attached to acquainting the youth with Russian classics, and for this purpose eminent Soviet authors are placed on the list of compulsory lectures in the literature program. The works of Pushkin, Gogol, Prishvin, Turgenev, and others are being published in the Russian language.

To provide training in socialist pedagogy, the Soviet textbook, Pedagogy by Kairov, was translated and published. Pedagogy by Goncharov-Yessipov is being printed for the pedagogical lyceums. The book on psychology by Teplov is also being printed.

In addition to these basic works from Soviet pedagogy, Poland has adopted a number of monographs on pedagogy. The following will appear shortly: Perovskiy's Examinations in the Soviet School, Novikov's Didactic and Pedagogical Work in School, and Raskin's Development of Mental Discipline.

TPP-R ORGANIZES RUSSIAN-LANGUAGE COURSES -- Warsaw, Przyjazn, 27 Aug 50

On 10 August 1950, the Regional TPP-R (Polish-Soviet Friendship Society) held a conference in Lodz with Prof Stanislaw Zezmer, chairman of the Regional Administration of TPP-R, presiding. The problem of TPP-R's activities in the villages were discussed at the conference. Delegates from all powiats in Lodz Wojewodztwo and representatives of political and social organizations attended the conference. The Main Administration of TPP-R was represented by Stanislaw Szopski.

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From May to 1 August 1950, 822 new TPP-R chapters have been organized. TPP-R chapters are now active in nearly 50 percent of the villages in Lodz Wojewodztwo. In July 1950, 305 TPP-R chapters were organized in villages. In this program, the following powiats were leading: Radomsko with 44 village chapters, Wielun with 33, Piotrkow with 32, Rawa with 27, Leczyca with 26, and Opoczno with 25.

Such organizations as ZSch (Peasant Self-Help Association), SP (Service for Poland), and ZNP (Polish Teachers' Association) are active in the program for organizing new TPP-R chapters in villages in Lodz Wojewodztwo. It was brought out at the conference that ZMP (Polish Youth Association) and the Women's League have not participated adequately in this program.

The conference passed a resolution to fulfill the plan on the rural program before the target date. In accordance with the idea of this resolution, the motto "A TPP-R Chapter in every village" will be fulfilled by 7 December 1950.

The suggestion made by Michal Szelig, delegate from Radomsko, that all members of TPP-R learn Russian was accepted unanimously.

All workers at the Ceramics Enterprises at Miroslawice are members of the TPP-R chapter. Because of the large membership, the chapter has been divided into five subchapters. Kijonka is the chairman of the chapter and through his initiative four new village chapters have been opened. At present, the chapter is organizing a course in Russian.

In Gdynia, the Municipal Division of TPP-R is very active; as a result, the division now has 189 chapters, a large reading room, club, and library.

The TPP-R chapter in Falenica Gmina has at present 300 members. A course in Russian is given at the chapter.

Legnica, Wolnosc, 16 Oct 50

The Wojewodztwo Administration of TPP-R (Polish-Soviet Friendship Society) resolved to organize, with the help of local TPP-Rs, 1,500 Russian-language courses throughout Lodz Wojewodztwo.

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